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SUBJECT: UNESCO: Executive Board Election Results

[¶1.](#) (U) The election of members of the Executive Board took place on Wednesday, 14 October 2009. The names of the Member States elected to the Executive Board were announced at the plenary meeting by Mr. Khamlihne Nhouyvanisvong (Laos), Chairperson of the Nominations Committee. 182 Member States were entitled to vote at the session.

[¶2.](#) (U) Electoral Group I (3 seats to be filled)

Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers: 7

Results:

[¶1.](#) Monaco.....160
[¶2.](#) Denmark.....156
[¶3.](#) Belgium.....155

[¶3.](#) (U) Electoral Group II (6 seats to be filled)

Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers: 7

Results:

[¶1.](#) Slovakia.....157
[¶2.](#) Romania.....156
[¶3.](#) Poland.....155
[¶4.](#) Latvia.....149
[¶5.](#) Uzbekistan.....146
[¶6.](#) Belarus.....143

[¶4.](#) (U) Electoral Group III (6 seats to be filled)

Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers: 14

Results:

[¶1.](#) Saint Lucia.....146
[¶2.](#) Barbados.....144
[¶3.](#) Grenada.....143
[¶4.](#) Haiti.....142
[¶5.](#) Peru.....109
[¶6.](#) Venezuela.....104

[¶5.](#) (U) Electoral Group IV (6 seats to be filled)

Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers: 0

Results:

[¶1.](#) China.....158
[¶2.](#) Vietnam.....156
[¶3.](#) Japan.....149
[¶4.](#) India.....145
[¶5.](#) Bangladesh.....142
[¶6.](#) Kazakhstan.....125

[¶6.](#) (U) Electoral Group V (a) African States (7 seats to be filled)

Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers: 6

Results:

[¶1.](#) Burkina Faso.....152
[¶2.](#) Djibouti.....1 51
[¶3.](#) Kenya.....1 51
[¶4.](#) Ghana.....1 50
[¶5.](#) Democratic Republic of the Congo.....142
[¶6.](#) Zimbabwe.....1 42
[¶7.](#) Congo.....1 40

¶7. (U) Electoral Group V (b) Arab States (3 seats to be filled)
Votes cast: 178; Absent: 4; Abstentions: 0; Invalid ballot papers:
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Results:

- ¶1. Algeria.....158
- ¶2. Egypt.....151
- ¶3. Syrian Arab Republic.....151

¶8. (U) Chairperson Nhouyvanisvong of the Nominations Committee (Laos) was assisted by Ms Irhne Rabenoro (Madagascar), Vice-President of the General Conference who supervised these elections and the six tellers, Ms Meritxell Font Vilagines (Andorra, Group I), Ms Tatiana Mitushina (Russian Federation, Group II), Ms Montserrat Vargas Solorzano (Costa Rica, Group III), Ms Anne Siwicki (Australia, Group IV), Mr Philip Ochen Odida (Uganda, Group V (a)) and Ms Cheryl Ghostine (Lebanon, Group V (b)) in overseeing the electoral process.

¶9. (U) All geographic groups had clean slates, (an equal number of candidates for an equal number of vacant seats), with the exception of Group III and Group IV. The only country in Group III that was not elected was Uruguay. The only country in Group IV that was not elected was the Solomon Islands.

¶10. (U) With these election results, the composition of the full UNESCO Executive Board (58 members) for the period 2009-2011 is as follows:

Group I (9 seats):

- ¶1. France
- ¶2. Germany
- ¶3. Greece
- ¶4. Italy

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- ¶5. Spain
- ¶6. United States of America
- ¶7. Monaco
- ¶8. Denmark
- ¶9. Belgium

Group II (7 seats):

- ¶1. Russian Federation
- ¶2. Slovakia
- ¶3. Romania
- ¶4. Poland
- ¶5. Latvia
- ¶6. Uzbekistan
- ¶7. Belarus

Group III (10 seats)

- ¶1. Argentina
- ¶2. Chile
- ¶3. Cuba
- ¶4. El Salvador
- ¶5. Saint Lucia
- ¶6. Barbados
- ¶7. Grenada
- ¶8. Haiti
- ¶9. Peru
- ¶10. Venezuela

Group IV (12 seats)

- ¶1. Malaysia
- ¶2. Mongolia
- ¶3. Pakistan
- ¶4. Philippines
- ¶5. Republic of Korea
- ¶6. Sri Lanka
- ¶7. China
- ¶8. Vietnam
- ¶9. Japan
- ¶10. India
- ¶11. Bangladesh
- ¶12. Kazakhstan

Group V(a) African States (13 seats)

- [¶1. Cote d'Ivoire](#)
- [¶2. Madagascar](#)
- [¶3. Niger](#)
- [¶4. United Republic of Tanzania](#)
- [¶5. Senegal](#)
- [¶6. Zambia](#)
- [¶7. Burkina Faso](#)
- [¶8. Djibouti](#)
- [¶9. Kenya](#)
- [¶10. Ghana](#)
- [¶11. Democratic Republic of Congo](#)
- [¶12. Zimbabwe](#)
- [¶13. Congo](#)

Group V(b) Arab States (7 seats)

- [¶1. Kuwait](#)
- [¶2. Morocco](#)
- [¶3. Saudi Arabia](#)
- [¶4. Tunisia](#)
- [¶5. Algeria](#)
- [¶6. Egypt](#)
- [¶7. Syrian Arab Republic](#)

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